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THE REPLY FILED <u>09 June 2000</u> FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may <u>only</u> be either a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance or a Notice of Appeal. Alternatively, applicant may obtain further examination by timely filling a request for a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d).
PERIOD FOR REPLY [check only a) or b)]
 a)
Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136 (a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked.
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. The proposed amendment(s) will be entered upon the timely submission of a Notice of Appeal and Appeal Brief with requisite fees.
3. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
(a) ☑ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (see NOTE below);
(b) they raise the issue of new matter. (see Note below);
(c) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
(d) they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.
NOTE: <u>See Continuation Sheet.</u> if entered 4. Applicant's reply flas overcome the following rejection(s): <u>35 USC 112, 1st and 2nd paragraphs.</u>
5. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
6. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
7. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
8. For purposes of Appeal, the status of the claim(s) is as follows (see attached written explanation, if any):
Claim(s) allowed: 1.
Claim(s) objected to: <u>2-4</u> .
Claim(s) rejected: <u>23</u> .
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: <u>7-22</u> .
9. ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on a) ☐ has b) ☐ has not been approved by the Examiner.
10. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s)
11. Other: Jonaine Spector

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Continuation of 3. NOTE: In proposed claim 23, the cell lines are a range within a range, which is indefinite and improper Markush language. Further search and consideration would be required for proposed claim 23 due to the inclusion of product by process using PCR and specific primers.